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SUBJECT: TRILATERAL ECON PROGRAM

REF: TOKYO 14384.

1. CONSULTATIONS WITH LOCAL GOETHE INSTITUTE REPRESENTATIVES REVEAL FEB 20-26 PERIOD BEST FOR PROGRAMS OUTSIDE OF TOKYO. THUS PROPOSE TO SCHEDULE SESSIONS IN OTHER AMERICAN CENTERS AT THAT TIME BEFORE MAIN SEMINAR IN TOKYO TAKES PLACE ON FEB 27-28.

2. TENTATIVE PLANS CALL FOR LARGE SEMINAR SIMILAR TO TOKYO'S FEB 27-28 ONE ON FEB 20-21 IN OSAKA. FOLLOWING THAT AND WEEKEND, GERMAN-AMERICAN-JAPANESE TEAMS SPLIT UP AND GO TO FUKUOKA, KYOTO, AND NAGOYA FEB 24-25. FEB 26 ALL RETURN TO TOKYO. FEB 27-28 THE TOKYO AMERICAN CENTER SEMINAR. THIS SCHEDULE PROPOSAL SUPERSEDES ONE IN REFTEL.

3. PROGRAMS IN OTHER CITIES SIMILAR TO TOKYO PROGRAM BUT SMALLER SCALE. WILL COORDINATE WITH GOETHE INSTITUTE OFFICERS EACH LOCATION BUT PLAN ON FULL DAY SEMINAR AT LOCAL AMERICAN CENTER, WORKING DINNERS OR LUNCHESES, MEDIA INTERVIEWS, ETC. BEFORE OR AFTER SEMINAR.

4. GERMANS INDICATE ARMIN GUTOWSKY, HERBERT GIER SCH, HANS TIETMEYER ALL PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE PROGRAMS OTHER CENTERS FEB 20-26 PERIOD.

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5. NISHIYAMA AND OTHER HIGH LEVEL JAPANESE ALSO PARTICIPATE THESE SESSIONS IN OSAKA, NAGOYA, FUKUOA, KYOTO.M

6. PLEASE CHECK WITH HABERLER, MCCracken, DUFAY. WHEN IS SOONEST THEY CAN ARRIVE IN JAPAN? ARE THEY AVAILABLE FOR MINI-TRILATERAL SEMINARS OUTSIDE OF TOKYO? PLEASE EMPHASIZE OTHER PARTICIPANTS WILL BE SAME BUT THAT THEY MERELY DIVIDE INTO SMALLER GROUPS. REGARD THESE SESSIONS AS IMPORTANT PRELIMINARY MEETINGS PRIOR TO MAJOR EVENT IN TOKYO. IF THEY CAN NOT ARRIVE FEB 19, CAN PUSH OSAKA PROGRAM FORWARD TO FEB 21-22 IF NECESSARY.

7. SAPPORO NOW DEFINITELY OUT OF PICTURE.

8. OF COURSE POST WILL PICK UP PER DIEM, INTERNAL TRAVEL, ETC. FOR ENTIRE PERIOD.

9. PLEASE ADVISE REACTION ASAP.
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